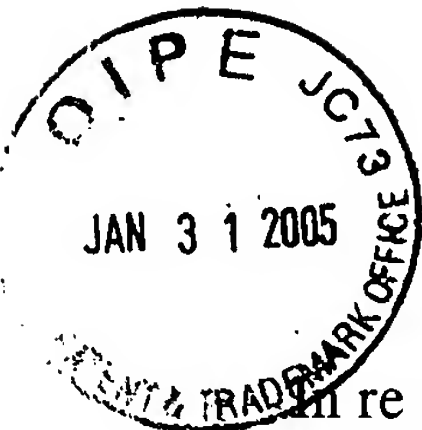


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This is an information disclosure statement submitted in compliance with the timing requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (b)(3), i.e., prior to a First Office Action on the Merits.

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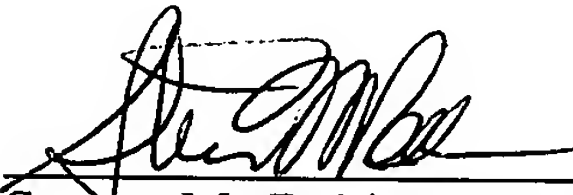
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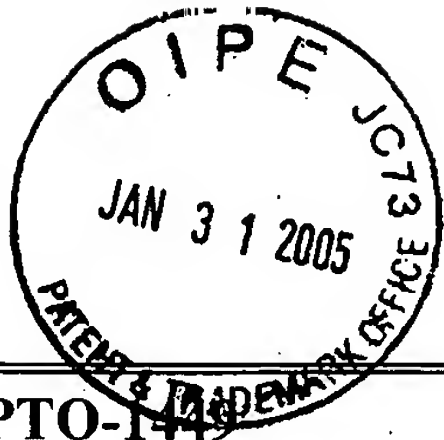
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